

WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF REGULATION AND LICENSING
MASSAGE THERAPISTS AND BODYWORKERS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF JUNE 1, 1999

MEMBERS PRESENT: Secretary Marlene Cummings, Claude J. Gagnon, Marcia R. Koehler, Susan Irene Frolik, Michael Carey, Dena Mae Schacht, Fayne Diegel, Vlad Thomas, John T. Botsford

MEMBERS ABSENT: W. Kent Bergstrom, Robert Myran, Nancy J. Knapp, Joann Griffin

LEGAL COUNSEL: Ruby Jefferson-Moore

STAFF PRESENT: Kimberly Nania, Ph.D., Director, Bureau of Health Service Professions; Karen Rude-Evans, Program Assistant 3; Myra Shelton, Executive Assistant

GUESTS PRESENT: Pat Sweeney, EAB; Brenda Gavinski, Capri College; Kay Wagner, MATC; Carla Hedtke, NWTC; Cassandra Wind; Dr. Barbara Prindiville, WTCSB

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 10:12 a.m. by Kimberly Nania, Bureau of Health Service Professions Bureau Director.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION: John Botsford moved, seconded by Michael Carey, to approve the original agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF MARCH 2, 1999

MOTION: John Botsford moved, seconded by Michael Carey, to approve the minutes of March 2, 1999 as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

SUMMARY REPORT OF PENDING COURT CASES, DISCIPLINARY CASES AND
ADMINISTRATIVE RULES

This item was put in the agenda packet for information only.

SECRETARY CUMMINGS

Secretary Cummings stated that the approval of schools is going very well. Many schools have EAB approval, including several schools from foreign countries. Over 800 massage therapists and bodyworkers have been registered since February 1st.

DRAFT JOB ANALYSIS

Casey Brown discussed the draft of the job analysis with the committee members. The draft has been revised since the agenda packet was sent out. One goal of the job analysis is to measure appropriateness of information for examinations. It is important that feedback is received to have an accurate survey result. Mr. Brown invited committee members to send suggestions and comments to him within the next 10 days.

1999 ASSEMBLY BILL 237 AND ASSEMBLY SUBSTITUTE AMENDMENT 1 TO AB 237

Myra Shelton gave a history and update on AB 237. The Department of Regulation and Licensing supports the bill as amended. Other legislative initiatives that did not make the budget bill were discussed regarding their introduction in the current legislative session.

PRESENTATION ON THE SCREENING PANEL PROCESS

Stu Engerman gave an informative presentation on the screening panel process.

REVISED/UPDATED MASSAGE THERAPISTS/BODYWORKERS BROCHURE – DRAFT

Myra Shelton presented the draft brochure for Massage Therapists and Bodyworkers and asked the committee to give her any recommended changes for the revised brochure before the next meeting in September. The committee members questioned whether the postmark date on an application or the date receipted is acceptable for deadlines. Myra Shelton will discuss this issue with Secretary Cummings to ensure that all applications are handled the same way in the Department. The acceptable deadline criteria will be printed in the brochure.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

The committee members discussed the letter from Ameritech. Ruby Jefferson-Moore clarified that “massage therapist” is a protected title, but “massage therapy” is not protected. Any practitioner may be listed under the heading of massage therapy.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: John Botsford moved, seconded by Marcia Koehler, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 12:18 p.m.